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PATENT APPLICATION

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Title: DOCK LEVELLER, LIP FOR A DOCK LEVELLER, AND

LIP HINGE CONSTRUCTION

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Applicants hereby respectfully petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time to respond to the Office Action (Paper No./Mail Date 20071219) dated **December 27**, 2007 for a period of one (1) month from March 27, 2008 to and including April 28, 2008.

Attached hereto is a responsive amendment and our check payable to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks in the amount of \$ 120.00 to cover the cost of the extension.

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In the event this check is unacceptable, insufficient or is omitted, kindly charge the additional or entire cost, as appropriate, of this extension to my deposit account number $\underline{13-3083}$. To facilitate that charge, a duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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